

# POCOCK PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Ray Pockock is Soccer News' player of the year.

The Melbourne striker has had a great season, scoring 10 goals and excelling in all aspects of attacking play.

His toughness, determination and skill have enabled him to beat the best full backs in the League and have made him clearly the best right striker in Victoria.

His success this year is



Johnny Wallace

remarkable because he's improved beyond recognition under coach Zvonimir Rasic.

And it's been only two years since he stepped up to State League from Metropolitan club Sunshine City.

Only 22 years old and a former State under 18 representative, Pockock has a long and brilliant soccer career ahead of him.

If he maintains his present fitness - for fitness has been his biggest problem - he should reach the national team for the 1974 World Cup.

Melbourne's 19-year-old linkman Johnny Wallace gets our vote as



John O'Neill

the most improved player of the season.

Wallace often sat on the bench last year and this season has become a key man in the Melbourne team.

So good was his form, that he was chosen for the

State team that met Werder Bremen.

He starred in that game and if he can improve his



Duncan Cummings

strength and develop more fighting spirit, he'll go a long way in Australian soccer.

The most consistent players were Dave Pygall of Ringwood and John O'Neill of Hakoah.

Both were the backbones of their respective clubs and rarely played a bad game.

O'Neill is returning to Ireland at the end of the year and when he goes, Victoria will lose a true champion.

The best junior prospects in Victoria are Duncan Cummings of



Benny de Bruyckere

Melbourne's under 12's and Benny de Bruyckere of Ringwood United.

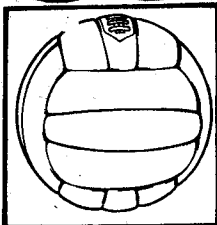
Duncan scored 103 goals during League and Cup games with his undefeated side and had no peers in his age group.

Tall, strong, intelligent and aggressive, Cummings will become a real champion if he remains dedicated to soccer.

Benny was the outstanding player during the national under 18 youth championships in Adelaide a few weeks ago.

A great defender, he is tall and strong, brilliant in the air, very fast, a good tactician and a 1974 World Cup prospect.

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### Top combination



van EGMOND (Ringwood)



UTJESENOVIC (Footscray)



KINNELL (Juventus)



JUHASZ (Melbourne)



WILLIAMS (Croatia)



PYGALL (Ringwood)



SALISBURY (Juventus)



MACKAY (Croatia)



POCOCK (Melbourne)



MANGOPOULOS (Fitzroy)



BULJEVIC (Footscray)

Soccer News' team of the year virtually picks itself.

There haven't been as many talented players in State League as there have in the past, so the few stars have stood alone.

The only player unlucky to miss out on a place in the team is Hakoah's mighty centre half John O'Neill.

Mangopoulos got the centre forward spot ahead of Wim. Spiekermann, because he has been more consistent

and has continued to score despite poor support from his team mates and close marking by his opponents.

Nick van Egmond won the goalkeeper's spot from Jack Reilly and Mike O'Hara. Both have had good seasons, although Reilly's was in spot ahead of Wim. Spiekermann, conspicuous because he was playing in a winning side.



Ray Pockock at training

## Our last issue

This is the last issue of Soccer News for 1970.

The State League season ends next week and we find it economically unsound to continue into the State League Cup competition.

Soccer News has tried its best to surround the sport with the type of glamor it deserves, to give soccer fans a few talking points between games and to acquaint them with the players who provide the action each weekend.

We also featured a junior supplement designed to encourage young players and perhaps to persuade other boys to take up the game.

Whether or not Soccer News has been successful, the fact remains that it is the only paper that can provide the soccer public with as wide a range of information about their sport.

It is the only paper that features soccer experts like George Yelland, Jim Barker and Rick Lavale and action photos like those taken by Steve Reynolds. Soccer News has never learned to walk. It has been crawling for many years and will continue to struggle unless many more soccer fans buy it. You, the public, will decide the fate of this paper.

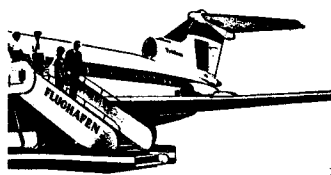
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# Metropolitan round-up — with George Yelland

## METRO LEADS WAY IN AUSTRALIAN SOCCER

In one of the most dramatic seasons on record, some Metro problems are still unsolved as we go to press with our final 1970 edition of Soccer News.

It has been our purpose to bring up to the minute records of activities in soccer's minor leagues.

We wanted all lovers of the game to have access to detailed information of ALL soccer in Victoria. A tremendous amount of time and effort has been put in to the job of collating and recording Junior, Metropolitan, District, North Eastern, Latrobe Valley and Ballarat, Geelong and district affairs.

Your correspondent has taken upwards of 1,000 telephone calls on Metro, North East and Geelong activities alone.

Some 2,000 sheets of copy have been written and the midnight oil burned on many occasions.

We pay tribute to Box Hill, Austria, Sunshine, Dandenong, Altona, Kellourn, Springvale, Yallourn, Coburg, Frankston, Albion, Brighton, Mooroolbark, Western Suburbs, Chelsea, Heidelberg, Croydon, Park Rangers, Bayswater, Eltham and Broadmeadows, who have rung week by week win, draw or lose.

Other clubs have rung from time to time, but clubs like St. Albans, Preston, Makedonia, Ringwood United, Green Gully Ajax, Oakleigh Athenas, East Melbourne Helvetic, North Carlton Olympic, Doncaster Rovers, Melbourne University, Monash University, Moorabbin and Rosebud have not been deemed it worthwhile or necessary to ring in, even once.

The growing awareness of the need for, and value of, publicity is just one of the signs of maturity in Metropolitan soccer.

The 1970 season has been one of consolidation. Clubs like Box Hill, Kellourn City, Sunshine City, Elwood Austria, Altona, Yallourn, Brighton, Mooroolbark, Croydon, Corio and others are building on firm foundations.

Enclosed grounds, top class dressing accommodation, promotion and development of juniors are just some of the aspects of development.

These clubs also realise the need to build up and conserve finance for further developments.

Without doubt, the Melbourne Metropolitan League comprises the healthiest and most progressive soccer competition in Australia.

One feature stands out. Promotion and relegation are and have been and will, I trust, continue to be, the life blood of these four divisions.

Without it, the second half of the season would have been drab and pointless.

Week by week, as reports on games have come in, certain players' names have cropped up again and again amongst the best on the field.

It is anyone's guess, who will receive the Federation trophy for being best and fairest but I feel that he will come from the following list.

John Brown, Jimmy Young (Box Hill), Dave Parker, Phil Bence (Dandenong), Hans Schnepf, Austria Webb (Elwood), Kazi Pietrowski, Butch Kokoska (Sunshine), Ian Hynds, Jim Bayliss (Altona), Kaz Klain, Joe

Menary, (Keilor) Ian McLachlan, John Beesley (Springvale), Tommy Cree, (Albion Rovers), Ian Beattie (Waverley), Brian Anderson (Yallourn), Dave Breslin (Brighton), Alan Parrot (Frankston), John Yelland (Coburg), George Maikousis, (Western Suburbs), Bobby Whiteside, (Park Rangers), Vic Finlay, (Chelsea), Alan Irving (Mooroolbark), Donald Clark (Heidelberg), Jim Telford (Croydon), Rudi Oosting (Bayswater), Hugh Rattray (Ballarat), John Lee (Eltham), Jock McQueen (Corio), Jeff Meadows, (Broadmeadows), Gerry Hallam (South Yarra).

It may well be that a player from one of the teams, which have not contacted Soccer News, will get the nod, but the aforementioned have repeatedly figured prominently for their clubs.

Box Hill must still be favorites for Division One honors with Dandenong and Keilor having outside chances.

Richmond go down and St. Albans are almost certain to accompany them.

Yallourn are worthy Second Division Champions but who will go up with them?

Coburg have finished their programme with Frankston two points behind and a home game against Brighton to be played on Saturday.

Should Frankston win 3-0 or 5-1 they will go up instead of Coburg.

Anything less and Coburg will figure in top company next season. No fiction writer could set a more dramatic climax.

Maribyrnong Triestina and Oakleigh Athenas will descend into Division Three, where the promotion triangle between Fernree Gully, Mooroolbark and Western Suburbs is still undecided.

Clayton drop back into Division Four after one season in Division Three.

Bayswater look likeliest to go with them but it could be East Melbourne Helvetic.

North Carlton Olympic seem assured of the Fourth Division championship and will be

promoted along with Corio. Once again, luckless Rosebud are wooden spoonists.

Keilor City acknowledged Saturday's game with Springvale as the hardest League match this season.

Springvale were tenacious and covered well.

Keilor led at half-time by a rather lucky goal. There had been little to choose between the teams and play suffered as both sides appeared to try too hard.

Ian McLachlan ran out to kick clear but the ball went straight to George Nierobar who calmly chipped it back over the goalkeepers head into the net.

Continuing at great pace in the second half, honors were even until the 80th minute when a centre from the left rocketed into the net from the head of Springvale's centre forward.

Four minutes later, Kaz Klain was brought down just outside the area. He took the free-kick, found the gap with a low hard drive and Keilor were home.

Defences were generally on top in a hard, dour contest.

Ringwood United started in great style at Kim Reserve, taking the lead in the tenth minute with a tremendous 30 yards drive.

Altona was without Ray King but his replacement, Peter Stankovski, did a fine job.

After half an hour he set up the equaliser with an astute pass to Bruce Jordanis.

This boy, improving with every game and he smashed a great drive into the net.

Both sides fought it out at top pace. Ringwood had chances but failed to take them.

With fifteen minutes to go, another good pass from Stankovski was steered into the net by Bill Savage.

With only three minutes left, Savage scored again, to make victory certain for Altona.

Ian Hynds, Stankovski and Savage were Altona's outstanding men.

A defensive battle at Sunshine ended in a scoreless draw with St. Albans.

The only real thrill of the first half came when Manny Spiteri put the ball through for Micky Bannagan to rattle the crossbar with a first time effort.

In the second half it was Sunshine's turn to be lucky when Herbert Seenan kicked off the goal line with Johnson beaten.

A draw was a fair result. Neither attack ever looked likely to penetrate compact defences. Eighteen years old Butch Kokoska, Kazi Pietrowski and Herbert Seenan were Sunshine's best.

Dandenong were rather lucky to defeat Preston Makedonia, by the only goal of the game.

Makedonia were masters in mid-field but Dandenong's defence was superb.

The goal came in twelve minutes, when Peter Lowen ran down the left wing, squared the ball for Brian Holcombe to score at the second attempt.

The second half was a hard

tussle with neither side able to score.

Dandenong received a nasty blow when Mike Hall fell heavily, breaking his arm in two places. Goalkeeper Bobby Rice, Phil Bence and David Parker gave them outstanding service.

A good game at Elwood saw Austria narrowly defeat Frahran.

This fast and entertaining encounter was marred by the dismissal of Frahran right winger Feut for using foul and abusive language and threatening to strike referee Dixon.

Austria were on top in the early stages. Johnny Truskowski beat two men, rounded the keeper but failed to score as the goalie quickly recovered. Barry Webb also missed a scoring chance he would normally have taken.

In the 38th minute Hans Schnepf crossed a good high ball for Truskowski to rise above the defence and head a fine goal.

After 36 minutes, Anderson's shot was fumbled by the goalkeeper. Waverley emerged in a fine performance at Yallourn before going down 3-1.

Following an even first 20 minutes, Waverley's defence in a good ball up the middle for Johnny Szabo to whip it into the net.

After 26 minutes, Anderson's shot was fumbled by the goalkeeper.

Roy Ainsworth slipped in and took advantage of the slip to give Yallourn a two goal lead.

A minute before the interval Ainsworth went down on his own and crossed to Joss Adrichen, who was unmarked and scored easily.

Waverley's defence was not entirely blameless in all three cases.

The second half saw Waverley on top. After 64 minutes, Colin Waller scored a gem with a great 20 yards drive.

Billy Hicks had two fine shots well saved and a Ted Quy effort went close, but they failed to score again.

Both sides provided fine football on the beautiful Yallourn surface.

Johnny Poelsner, Anderson, Szabo and Adrichen again gave fine performances for the winners.

Ian Beattie, Billy Hicks and Quy scored again for Waverley in one of their best performances.

Coburg were without regular centre half John Yelland, who badly sprained an ankle at training, for their do or die fixture with Frankston.

Ted Tebbutt took over and was outstanding for the home side. He was in complete command of the middle and distributed the ball well.

Both defences were sound, although Coburg found the net in the first half, only to be given off side.

Coburg's liveliest and most damaging forward was Graham Watson. He should have been used more, particularly in the second half.

Frankton were lively but channelled the ball down the middle, far too much.

Alan Parrot, their speediest and potentially most dangerous attacker, played too deep and much of his scoring potential was lost.

Albie Matthews always looked dangerous, but a leg injury caused him to retire.

Lou Farkis replaced him and

promptly showed a keenness and desire to shoot. Several efforts went close before he accepted a gift to give Frankton the lead after 71 minutes play.

Full back Arthur Bolton, who played a sterling game, unaccountably tried to find his goalkeeper when he might have kicked the ball anywhere.

To their credit, Coburg fought back. With only two minutes left, Watson crossed for Sammy Loughran to breast the ball down for George Malcolm to smack it into the net.

It was a great game, fought out in fine spirit, with neither side asking or giving quarter.

Players threw themselves into it with reckless abandon.

The all twenty two deserve full marks for a terrific spectacle.

Kurt Schroeder, Micky Benton and Billy Lewis worked with tremendous zest for Frankston.

Ted Tebbutt, Graham Watson, Ted Easley and George Malcolm all gave good service in a Coburg side that never gave up trying.

A draw was a fair result in a game well controlled by referee Monnot.

In their all important clash with Maribyrnong Triestina, Brighton ran into top form.

An unfortunate accident to goalkeeper Andy McGeechan, in which he dislocated two fingers, caused his replacement by veteran Arthur Scott, after 20 minutes.

A lively attack, backed up by a solid defence, kept Brighton on top throughout. Spirited resistance, by Triestina, kept the home side at bay until the 43rd minute.

Kevin Colman on the right wing, cut across the field, beat three defenders and drove home a spectacular goal.

Brighton's half back of Gordon Hay, Dave Campbell and Ludi Pawlik was in full control in mid-field.

At the 60 minute mark, outside left Dave King beat two men and scored with a right foot shot.

Five minutes later, Jimmy Molloy was tripped as he darted goalwards. He made it three from the penalty spot.

Eight more minutes and Molloy scored again with a hot drive into the roof of the net.

Scott dealt easily with anything that got through to him and Pat Hughes had a great game at left back. Dave Breslin had another fine game.

Playing with the wind, Chelsea pressed in the first half, but were held to a single goal at the interval.

This came when Dave Newton, attempting to clear, had the misfortune to slice the ball into his own goal. Both goalkeepers, Runcroft (Park Rangers) and Watland (Chelsea) were magnificent.

John Fleming grazed the post with one fine effort, but in the 74th minute, Robbie Dale, crashed home Chelsea's second goal.

Within two minutes, Ted Eldred headed a beauty to reduce the arrears. Eldred was brought in at centre forward from his normal position of full-back.

This ended the scoring but the quality of the game never faltered. Bobby Whiteside turned in another class performance and his efforts this year stamp him as a must for the Metropolitan Select Eleven.

John Clement and Ken Mitchell were also prominent for Rangers.

trick in the seventieth minute from a Nick Adamidis pass.

Best players for the visitors were Maikousis, Demetrios Kyprytidis and Demetrios Lofios.

In a tough, hard fought battle Mooroolbark narrowly defeated Ballarat.

High Rattray was a commanding figure at centre half for Ballarat. He marshalled his defence well and kept the score sheet clean for 75 minutes.

A Derek Bailey free-kick to Alan Irving was flicked on with the head to John Orr.

His final shot was slammed into the net first time.

The game became heated and rough. Ballarat's centre forward, Martin Visser was sent off for kicking at the goalkeeper.

A crowd of over 400 turned up for this important game.

Mooroolbark Reserves took off the championship for the second year in succession.

Alan Irving, John Howard and Tony Allcop were outstanding for the victors.

Heidelberg approached this game in an over confident manner and nearly paid the penalty.

They went straight into attack, scored after 20 minutes and then relaxed. The goal was a beautiful header by Jimmy Dale from a Gunther Mandel corner.

Clayton fought back well and equalised with a brilliant goal.

A cross from the right wing was collected by the centre forward who beat Ronnie McNeil and slammed in a great shot which Ray Scarsdale scarcely saw.

The second half was end to end, without either side able to clinch a winner.

Heidelberg invite applications for the position of club coach.

The appointment will be made at the annual meeting.

Applications to be in the hands of the secretary, Neil Love, 64 Glenmorgan Street, East Brunswick, before November 29th, 1970.

Park Rangers and Chelsea fought out a great game at Middle Park.

The encounter was noteworthy for good football, fine sportsmanship and a perfect display of refereeing by Mr. Wallace.

Unfortunate own goal gave Chelsea the points. Rangers played well enough to merit a draw.

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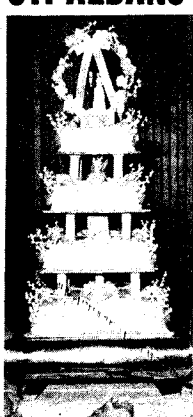
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# THE YEAR OF JUVENTUS

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Juventus has clinched the 1970 premiership with one game to go.

Although it has lost some of the brilliance it showed early in the season, Juventus is still a class above every other team, and fully deserves the title.

Juventus' overall superiority was best demonstrated when it scored seven goals in twice beating second-placed Melbourne.

The Juventus players under the direction of coach Tony Boggi are the most talented in the League.

Goalkeeper Jack Reilly and defender Sandy Irvine are in the national team, and together with George Kinnell, Jock Goodwin and Tommy McColl, have also represented Victoria.

Midfield general Salisbury and star defender Kinnell were the team's key men. When they both fired, Juventus was unbeatable.

Bryan Thomson had a good goalkeeping season and Bobby Thomson showed all his old professionalism.

Keith Webster and Keith Lakey were also playing well but both have missed the last few games due to injuries.

There isn't a Juventus player who hasn't performed well this season and that's been the secret of the team's success.

Apart from individual stars, Juventus also had teamwork and that's something few sides could match.

Having won the State League title, Juventus is now aiming for the Dockerty Cup, and the State League Cup.

And there's little doubt that this championship side will win both to make it a clean sweep.

The most improved team of the season was undoubtedly Melbourne, which was moulded into a premiership challenger

imports is the great Fabian Juhasz, whose coolness and accuracy in defence has helped make Melbourne's mathematical style effective.

Billy Rogers continued to improve, notching up a goals tally of 10 and Steve Bieskany completed a deadly striking trio.

Slavia is doomed to relegation unless it can beat Ringwood City on Sunday, which seems unlikely.

Considering the vast improvement shown by Slavia since Ken Kontra took over as coach, you can't help feeling sorry for the club.

Under Kontra, Slavia drew with Lions and South Melbourne and held Juventus to one goal.

When victory finally came against Fitzroy, Lions beat Hakoah to nullify Slavia's success.

Slavia's finances suffered so badly from poor attendances that it was forced to cut players' payments, resulting in a number of them quitting the club.

Because of its weak attack, Slavia played defensively throughout the season. The backbone comprised Mike O'Hara in goal, centre backs Tony Zanatta and Sandy Jones full back Archie Shedden and newcomer Jimmy Train.

A promising recruit from the Metropolitan League was left back Zoran Lazarevic, son of Slavia's new team manager Dusan Lazarevic.

Footscray J.U.S.T. did well to finish in the top four but rarely looked the polished premiership team it was last season, under coach Zvonimir Rasic.

Footscray's biggest triumph was its well-deserved 2-1 victory over Juventus two weeks ago.

The team started the League season badly, after narrowly losing the Ampol Cup final to South Melbourne Hellas.

Not long after Footscray's 2-5 defeat to Croatia, Lou Brocic took over as coach and under him, the team looked better.

Brocic later quit the club and Cedo Cirkovic took over as playing coach.

Footscray's star player was undoubtedly Dragan Utjesenovic, whose overlapping play from full back caused opposing teams many headaches.

Switching him to midfield three weeks ago proved an inspired move. As a linkman against Juventus, he played Gareth Salisbury and Jock Goodwin out of the game and paved the way for Footscray's victory.

Left striker Branko Buljevic was the idol of the crowds, but although he has so far scored 13 goals, he is not showing the devastating form he is capable of.

Nevertheless, he and his partner Slobodan Zoraja remain the most dangerous duo in State League.

Between them they have netted 27 times.

One of the stars of the team was left back Milenko Rusmir, still one of the best and most intelligent full backs in the League.



Ulysses Kokkinos

He and Utjesenovic, with their overlapping play, gave tremendous support to Frank Micic in midfield. Without them Footscray would have been in big trouble.

Footscray's star of the future is 18-year-old Jimmy Milisavljevic.

Already one of the top four goalkeepers in Victoria, he has the ability to become one of the most highly-rated keepers in the country.

Croatia has had a steady, if not spectacular season, due mainly to its solid defence, which has conceded less goals than any other team.

The fact that coach Mike Kiss has been with the club for three seasons, has also helped a lot. He knows his players well and can capably solve any problems as they arise.

Jimmy Mackay and Billy Vojtek were again the key men of the team and they were the ones opposing coaches dealt with first.

Mackay and Vojtek were seen at their best in the Olympic Park match against Polonia, during which each scored twice to help Croatia win 5-0.

Croatia's biggest weakness has been the lack of good wingers.

Also, the team was hit hard by injuries. Mackay, Horst Rau, Hugh Gunn, Joe Rahjer, Willie Armour, Ivan Turic and Billy McArthur were all on the sick list.

What will be most remembered about Croatia of 1970 is that it was the team to inflict the first defeat of the season upon Juventus.

This season was also the last for veteran defender Frank Bot, who decided to hang up his boots.

South Melbourne Hellas was the most disappointing team of the season, probably because it lost the services of Ulysses Kokkinos who first had a broken arm and then a broken leg.

Kokkinos scored seven goals during the few matches he played in, and would have made a big difference to the South Melbourne attack.

To make sure of a place in the State League Cup, Hellas had to beat Croatia today (Thursday) and

again on Sunday, which is unlikely.

But the prospects for next season are bright.

Newcomers, Ian Marshall and Tom Clark have proved valuable acquisitions. Marshall is so good that he might make the State team next year.

David Gorrie and Ernie Ackerville have been playing well in midfield and the defence of Steve Walker, John Bedford, Alan Rutherford, David High and Dick Stephens is a sound one.

Hellas was the only team in State League not beaten by Juventus. Their two encounters both ended in draws.

Ringwood City was always hard to beat, especially at home but injuries to Fred Bunce, and Mike Pye plus the resignation of captain-coach Brian Edgley, robbed the team of any chance it had of reaching the top four.

Wim Spiekermann, last year's top League scorer, struck form after a quiet beginning and is again one of the best centre forwards in Melbourne.

Linkman Dave Pygall has been Ringwood's best and most consistent performer and Nick van Egmond has been an outstanding goalkeeper.

Ringwood this year introduced the League's youngest full backs—Robert Bailey and Richard Bens. They were steady throughout the season and should be even better after the summer break.

Hakoah made remarkable progress under its new coach Jim Adam.

From a sloppy, unfit, uninspiring team, Hakoah was transformed into an aggressive, disciplined fighting machine that achieved its best result in the Dockerty Cup, beating Footscray J.U.S.T. 5-2.

Backbone of the team was 1969 Argus Medal winner John O'Neill, the general in defence. He and Keith Fry, who has starred since Adam took over, will return to the U.K. this year, leaving big gaps in the team.

Mike Clarey has been a great success, having so far scored 16 goals.

The return of John Anderson added much punch to Hakoah's midfield.

Youngsters like Terry



Wim Spiekermann

Lane, Steve Gadsby, Aukkie Waaldyck and Bobby Robertson are progressing well and will be men to watch next season.

O'Neill and Fry have been real champions during their stay with Hakoah and to do well next year, the club must find adequate replacements for them.

Jim Adam is very impressed with 17-year-old reserve stopper Anton Dosen, so perhaps we'll see the birth of a new star next year.



Tony Boggi



Keith Webster



Jock Goodwin

No team was hit harder by injuries than Polonia. Joe Zurawski, Miroslaw Litwin, Henry Slwka, Czes Piskota, Andrew Czapiuk, Eddy Wrobel, Edek Widera, David Closs, Marian Sowula and coach Kaz Kowalec all missed games because of injuries.

Star of the team was Mike Olinowski, who had good support in defence from Eddy Marmur.

Olinowski was nominated by Victoria for the national squad but did not gain selection.

Former Polish B international Marek Konopka joined the club in July and should prove valuable next season.

Another Polish player, Joe Zurawski, came to the end of his contract and will go home late this year.

Coach Kowalec and manager Remo Guadiani are concentrating on developing local talent and have introduced a number of youngsters to the senior team. They are goalkeeper George Wielgoc, linkman Bogdan Anolack and forward Marian Jaworski.

Utility player Andrew Czapiuk was in the State squad early in the year but his progress was hampered by a foot injury.

Czapiuk starred in many games and will be a key man next season.

Among Polonia's best results were its victory over Juventus in the Ampol Cup, and its draws with Juventus and South Melbourne in League matches.

Next season, Polonia will base its team on local products and is expected to draw heavily on its reserves, who have won the premiership.

Most credit for this win must go to Polonia's "Ron Barassi", coach Ian Petherick.

Key players in the premiership side were Jaworski, who should be considered for the State under 23 squad next season, John Kowalczyk and Anolack, who was top scorer with 14.

George Cross has been the most unpredictable team of the season.

It beat top teams Croatia and Ringwood and then crashed 0-11 to Juventus in the Dockerty Cup.

Following a 7-0 victory over Lions and a scoreless draw with Melbourne, the team lost form once more and went down to Hellas 0-4 in the first match televised by GTV9.

George Cross spent big money early this year, buying Jimmy Smart from Lions and Dario Epifano from Juventus.

It also gained Bobby McLachlan from Box Hill in a straight swap for Don Hodgson.

George Cross always had a potentially dangerous forward line but the strikers played only in patches.

The defence was poor,

with the exception of the game against Melbourne. John Sanchez and Lou Kastner tried hard to marshall the rearguard but they did not always succeed.

The team's best player was linkman Kevin Walker, who hit peak form during the latter part of the season.

John Gardiner was starring until he was injured and upon his return, he was suspended from the club.

George Cross has had three coaches this year. Ken Pattison, Tommy Robertson and now John Sanchez.

It was under Robertson that the team showed most improvement.

Fitzroy Alexander started the season full of sparkle.

The team, made up mainly of local boys, had fought its way up from the First Division and under



Tommy Roseweir

the coaching of Manny Poulakakis was showing great fighting spirit, which more than made up for its shortage of skill.

Then the imports started arriving and there was trouble.

Onofrius Melitsis, a very talented player, returned to Greece not long after he had arrived, following a dispute with the club.

Andrew Fokiannos, who had played in 1969, packed his bags and followed suit.

As trouble spread, Poulakakis took disciplinary action against many of the players, which resulted in Poulakakis being sacked by the club, only to be reinstated a few weeks later.

The Fitzroy of today is only a shadow of what it was when the season started in March, and the committee must shoulder the blame.

Jimmy Mangopoulos, who has been with the team since he was 14, has so far scored 14 goals and without him, Fitzroy would have been in real trouble.

Mangopoulos is a great striker and with the right support he could have been way out in front on the League goalscorers list.

After losing Jimmy Rooney, Jimmy Smart, Steve Walker, Gerry Murney, Mike Bartley and Colin Horner, Lions slid badly and are still in the hot seat.

If they lose their next game and if Slavia wins, the Lions will be relegated.

Tommy Roseweir has tried hard in defence but the lack of good fullbacks has made his job an impossible one.

Ian McCarthy has been a hard-working linkman and Hugh Murney was always steady, both in midfield and defence.

Basically, the Lions team hasn't been as bad as its results suggest.

Players like those mentioned, as well as Eddy Butler and Ricky van Zeist, are the equals of most State League players, but there has been no-one to mould them into a team.

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# Award winner on TV

The Marlboro best player award will be presented on TV during the second round of the State League Cup at Olympic Park.

The race for the trophy and the \$100 has developed into a two-man battle between David Pygall of Ringwood and John O'Neill of Hakoah, who each have 33 votes.

But, Ian McCarthy of Lions, with 32 votes, still has a slim chance of beating both of them. Everything will depend on the last round and these three players will be out to show their best.

Leading contender for the Marlboro goalscoring trophy is Hakoah's Mike Clarey, whose hat-trick against Polonia gave him a total of 16.

Progress votes:  
33 Pygall (R), O'Neill (Hak).  
32 McCarthy (L).  
29 Juhasz (M).

- 27 Olinowski (P).
- 26 Mackay (C).
- 25 Zanatta (S).
- 22 Jones (S).
- 21 Selfe (A), Williams (C), Utesenovic (L).
- 20 Roseweir (C), Czapnik (P).
- 19 Xanthopoulos (A), Walker (GC).
- 18 Stenhouse (Hak), Kinnell (J), Ricks (GC), Ward (R).
- 17 High (H), Ackerley (H), Mangopoulos (A), Micic (F), Glennie (A), Salisbury (J).
- 16 Walker (H), Stankovic (F), Goodwin (J), Murney (L), Cameron (Hak), McGowan (M), Spiekermann (R).
- 15 Zurawski (P), Butler (L), J Train (S), Rasmir (F).
- 14 Pye (R), McIntyre (C), Gardiner (GC).

- Wallace (M), Fry (Hak), O'Hara (S), Zoraja (F).
- 13 Buljevic (F), Webster (J), Smart (GC), Pocock (M), Marmur (P).
- 12 Rogers (M), Irvine (J), Widera (P), Steele (S).
- 11 B Thomson (J), Collinson (L), Kokkinos (H), Vojtek (C), Rutherford (H), Gorrie (J).
- 10 Epifano (GC), Scott (M), Cirkovic (F), Knot (P), Della Rocca (J), Symington (C), R. Thomson (J).

## Goalscroers:

- 16 Clarey (Hak).
- 14 Zoraja (F), Mangopoulos (A), B. Thomson (J).
- 13 Buljevic.
- 10 Rogers (M), Pocock (M), Spiekermann (R), Smart (GC).
- 9 Vojtek (C), McColl (J).
- 8 McIntyre (C), Bleskany (M).
- 7 Kokkinos (H), Armstrong (H), Edgley (R).
- 6 Gorrie (H), Epifano (GC), Widera (P), Micic (F).
- 5 Williams (C), Pye (R), Keri (F), Stankovic (F), Plaskota (P), Villers (R).
- 4 Bunce (R), Scott (M), Pygall (R), Brown (A), Reid (GC), Frost (J), Butler (L), Utesenovic (F), Kowalec (P).
- 3 Kinnell (J), Ackerley (H), Olinowski (P), van Zeist (L), Wallace (M), Roseweir (L), Starczak (L), Waaldyck (Hak), Siwka (P), Demarchi (J), Sanchez (GC), Salisbury (J), Mackay (C), Lockhurst (R), Fry (Hak).

# Hat-tricks to Clarey

Lions 2.  
South Melb 4

(Clark 26  
Gould 48,  
Butler (L),  
pens. 61, 80,  
McGuinness (L)  
o.g. 62,  
Ackerley 74)

South Melbourne  
Hellas easily  
defeated Lions, in  
an entertaining  
game at Mon-  
tgomery Park, last  
Sunday.

Early exchanges were even, as Lions' little men showed that extra yard of speed which counterbalanced the superior skill of their opponents. Several Hellas players appeared to lack fitness. Slowness on the turn ruined good scoring opportunities. Lions made the mistake of pushing the ball down the middle, only to find their former pivot, Steve Walker, in top form.

Tom Clarke was a dangerous spearhead for Hellas. He scored the only goal of the first half and another fine effort ran along the face of the crossbar before being hooked clear. Unfortunately he seems to be carrying too much weight and did not fight for the ball.

David High gave a polished performance at full back and completely subdued the left wing of Lions, where Butler had an unprofitable afternoon.

Young Jimmy Robertson used his speed to give Rutherford a terrific time. Lion's two goals both came from the penalty spot. Butler easily converted them both in copybook fashion.

The first came from a bliant push in the back by Walker, and the second when Robertson, streaking past Rutherford, was tripped from behind.

Gould had a grand game and scored the second goal with a fine individual effort.

Immediately following Butler's first penalty, Hellas ran to a 3-1 lead with a stupid and unnecessary own goal by McGuinness.

As Lion's defenders stood appealing for offside, the ball was crossed from the right and McGuinness ran on to it and drove it into his own net. It appeared a simple matter to flick it for a corner.

Ernie Ackerley was architect of most Hellas attacks.

He was off target with several attempts but scored the fourth goal from a well judged pass by David Gorrie, from close range.

Lions lacked snap and showed little initiative in most of their attacks.

Their defence was wide open on many occasions and Hellas might have run up a big score, had goalkeeper Alex Tochel not been in top form.

Lions: Tochel, Murray, Collinson, McGuinness, Roseweir, McCarthy, J. Robertson, Murney, Van Zeist, T. Robertson, Butler. Keenan replaced T. Robertson, injured, after 55 minutes.

South Melbourne Hellas: Stevens, High, Rutherford, Sedford, Walker, Marshall, Pygall, Ackerley, Clarke, Gorrie, Gould, Kiriazis replaced Pygall in the second half. Angus replaced Stevens after 75 minutes.

Votes:  
Hellas: 3. Walker, 2. High, 1. Ackerley.  
Lions: 3. Tochel, 2. McCarthy, 1. J. Robertson.

GEORGE YELLAND.



Ian McCarthy

Hakoah 5.  
Polonia 1

(Clarey 52, 68,  
73,  
Fry 63,  
Douglass 65,  
Closs (P) 75)

Hakoah striker  
Mike Clarey vir-  
tually clinched  
State League goal-  
scoring honors by  
scoring a hat-trick  
against Polonia,  
bringing his  
season's tally to 16.

Clarey is now two goals ahead of Slobodan Zoraja, Jimmy Mangopoulos and Bryan Thomson.

His goals on Saturday were all scored in a 20-minute period during the second half.

Polonia played well up to half time and managed to hold Hakoah scoreless. But after the interval, Hakoah's dominance in midfield began to tell and great work by Alan Stenhouse, Terry Lane, Keith Fry and Gordon Cameron set up Clarey for his scoring spree.

Apart from scoring, Clarey also did a large amount of work and managed to beat a tough opponent in Eddy Marmur.

Strengthened by the return of Stenhouse and Lane, who had previously been injured, Hakoah looked a different side to that which had lost to Lions.

It could easily have won by a bigger margin had it taken advantage of three golden opportunities during the first half.

The win was yet another tribute to coach Jim Adam who has improved Hakoah beyond recognition.

Polonia's best player was once again Mike Olinowski, who must be considered for the State team next year.

Zbigniew Knot and Marian Sowula tried hard in defence but their opponents often managed to slip away.

Star linkman John Anderson pulled a thigh muscle during the first half and was replaced by Dennis Panther, who should be a good player next season.

By winning this match Hakoah displaced Polonia from seventh place and should hold that position.

Hakoah: Henderson, Douglas, Stenhouse, O'Neill, Baker, Anderson (in), sub Panther 20, Cameron, Fry, Gadaby, Clarey, Lane, Coach Jim Adam.

Polonia: Szalinski (sub, Wielgoz 60), Knot, Olinowski, Marmur, Sowula, Closs, Widera, Czapnik, Blank, Siwka, Plaskota (sub, Wrobel), Coach Kaz Kowalec.

Votes:  
Hakoah: 3. Clarey, 2. Stenhouse, 1. O'Neill.  
Polonia: 3. Olinowski, 2. Knot, 1. Sowula.

JOE MAJOR.

Juventus 3.  
Ringwood 2

(B. Thomson 27,  
53,  
Villers (R) 44,  
Steele (R) 49,  
Salisbury 89)

Gareth  
Salisbury, the star  
of this match,  
rammed home a  
great goal in the  
dying seconds to  
give Juventus the  
1970 State League  
championship.

Juventus now has a three  
point lead over Melbourne  
with one game to go.

Juventus was clearly the  
better side during its clash  
with Ringwood but was  
constantly blocked by  
goalkeeper Nick van  
Egmond.

Salisbury had a brilliant  
game and it was only fit-  
ting that he should score  
the winning goal. Against  
this midfield master  
Ringwood's ace Dave  
Pygall never had a chance  
to show what he is capable  
of.

Tommy McColl, playing  
his first full game for many  
weeks was close to his  
international form and set  
up two of the goals.

In the second half he set  
up a great chance for Ron  
Frost, whose header was  
hit out by van Egmond.

McColl took the ball  
again and squared it into  
the box, but this time Frost  
swung wildly and missed  
the ball altogether.

Juventus could have  
scored as early as the  
fourth minute but van  
Egmond stopped Bryan  
Thomson's point-blank shot  
with his foot.

In the 27th minute Dino  
DeMarchi slammed a  
thundering shot onto the  
crossbar.

Wim Spiekermann was  
the best Ringwood player  
and set up both his team's  
goals.

He was always  
dangerous in breakaways,  
although he had to do most  
of the work himself.

Jack Reilly did well to  
hold a number of  
Spiekermann's hard  
drives.

Juventus won well in  
midfield and on the wings.  
In addition, Bryan  
Thomson was in a  
goalscoring mood, not-  
ching the first two and  
coming close on other  
occasions.

George Kinnell, Sandy  
Irvine and Pat Della Rocca  
were solid as usual in  
Juventus' defence.

RINGWOOD: van Egmond;  
Bailey, J. Bens, Ward, R. Bens;  
Pygall, Pye, Bunce, Villers,  
Spiekermann, Steele (sub,  
Lockhurst 58).  
Juventus: Reilly, Della Rocca,  
Kinnell, R. Thomson (in, sub  
Docherty, half time), Irvine,  
Salisbury, Goodwin, Frost, B.  
Thomson, DeMarchi, McColl, Coach  
Tony Bogli.

Votes:  
Ringwood: 3. Spiekermann, 2. van  
Egmond, 1. J. Bens.  
Juventus: 3. Salisbury, 2. McColl,  
1. Kinnell.

LAURIE SCHWAB.



Billy McIntyre

Croatia 0.  
Melbourne 0

By drawing this  
game Melbourne  
lost all hope of  
catching State  
League leader  
Juventus.

Melbourne had most of  
the play in the first half but  
after the interval, Croatia,  
spurred on by the great  
Jimmy Mackay, fought  
back strongly and Billy  
McIntyre missed a number  
of golden opportunities.

Overall, it was a game  
dominated by defences and  
the result was a fair one.

Melbourne was the more  
constructive team because  
its defenders concentrated  
on turning defence into  
attack instead of clearing  
the ball wildly.

Mackay's performance  
in midfield was especially  
meritorious because he had  
little help from his fellow  
linkmen and he was  
competing against John  
Wallace and Istvan Keri  
who both saw a lot of the  
ball.

Billy McIntyre was the  
most dangerous forward on  
the field and he must have  
been kicking himself for  
failing to convert two  
perfect goal-mouth crosses  
from Mackay.

Billy Rogers was  
brilliant in the air for  
Melbourne, whose midfield  
players always supplied  
him with high balls.

Both teams played with  
five defenders. Croatia had  
Bill McArthur hanging  
back with Hugh Gunn and  
Bobby Symington, and  
Melbourne had Alister  
Scott next to Fabian  
Juhász, with Jozsef Szabo  
acting as a free man in  
defence.

Mike Kovacek was great  
in Croatia's goal and the  
interesting tussle between  
Brian Williams and Ray  
Pocock ended with honors  
even.

Croatia: Kovacek; Wixey, Gunn,  
Symington, McArthur, Williams,  
Rau, Mackay, Vojtek,  
Turicac (sub, Rajher 70). Coach  
Mike Kiss.

Melbourne: Carmichael, McDaid,  
Juhász, Szabo, Scott, McGowan,  
Keri, Wallace, Pocock, Rogers,  
Kelly (sub, Olah 74). Coach  
Zvonimir Rasic.

Votes:  
Croatia: 3. Mackay, 2. McIntyre,  
1. Symington.  
Melbourne: 3. Juhász, 2. Rogers,  
1. Wallace.

LAURIE SCHWAB.

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## Team of the

TOCHEL  
(Lions)  
HIGH (Hellas) WALKER (Hellas) JUHASZ (Melbourn)  
SALISBURY (Juventus) MACKAY (Croatia)  
ZORAJA (Footscray) CLAREY (Hakoah) SMART (George C)

# Smart

Fitzroy 2.

Geo. Cross 4

(Dordoulakis

10, Mangopoulos

(F) 18, 60,

Smart 35, 38, 75)



Slobodan Lukic

Footscray 4.

Slavia 1

(Buljevic 16,

Zoraja 37,

Utjesenovic 41,

Adlam (S) 44,

Stankovic 80)

Footscray

J.U.S.T. outclassed

Slavia all over the

ground and swept

to an easy victory.

A feature of the match

was the great per-

formance of Slobodan

Lukic.

Playing as centre

forward he opened up

the game by moving

from right to left and

laying on passes for

Branko Buljevic and

Slobodan Zoraja, who

both should have scored

more than one.

In midfield, Tommy

Stankovic and Frank

Micic had it all their

own way. Dragan U-

jesenovic, also playing

as linkman, wasn't as

dominant as he was the

previous week against

Juventus, yet still did

valuable work and was

never worried by his

opponents.

Slavia coach Ken

Kontra, sensing the way

the game could go, lined

up four players in

midfield, hoping they

would beat Footscray's

trio. They didn't.

During the second

half, Slavia played a

more open game, trying

to fight back. This

suites Footscray even

better but although the

home side continued to

attack, it could not find

the goal until the 80th

minute, when the tricky

Stankovic hammered

home a sizzling drive.

The pace of the game

was dictated by Foot-

scray and Slavia could

do nothing but hold on

and hope for the best.

Tony Zanatta and

Mike O'Hara were

again strong in defence

and stopped many

moves that would have

resulted in goals.

In breakaways, Brian

Adlam, George Train-

and Russell Steele

worked intelligently and

economically to at least

keep the Footscray

defenders in the game.

Footscray: Millsavljic (sub.

Fode half time); Evans, Rice,

Cirkovic, Rusmir, Utjesenovic,

Micic, Stankovic, Zoraja, Lukic,

Buljevic. Coach Cedo Cirkovic.

Slavia: O'Hara, Shedden, Jones,

Zanatta, Lazarevic; J. Train,

Schleibert, Paul, Adlam, Steele, G.

Train. Coach Ken Kontra.

Votes:

Footscray: 3. Lukic, 2. Stankovic,

1. Micic.

Slavia: 3. Zanatta, 2. O'Hara, 1.

Lazarevic.

GEORGE YELLAND.

Playing with a re-organised side that included three reserves, George Cross achieved victory because of great performances by Derek Ricks in defence and Jimmy Smart who scored a hat-trick.

It was an even game, with Fitzroy fighting back strongly in the second half and almost forcing a draw.

But Smart, playing from behind, was too elusive for the Fitzroy defence and managed to slip through in the 75th minute to score the winner.

Early in the game, Jimmy Mangopoulos looked very dangerous in breakaways and forced Lou Kastner into action on a number of occasions.

But in the 10th. minute a long pass from Dario Epifano floated over the defence and Nick Dordoulakis scored from close range.

Mangopoulos equalised minutes later but Smart put the Cross back in front after a pass by Kevin Walker.

George Glennie was doing a mountain of work in Fitzroy's defence but not even he could stop Smart from scoring again in the 38th. minute.

It looked like Fitzroy was done for but that old fighting spirit was still there and Mangopoulos managed another goal to make it 3-2.

Now Fitzroy began to hammer the Cross defence, giving Ricks and Kastner a hard time.

But the equalising goal did not come and Smart made sure of the result by latching onto a Chetcuti pass, dribbling past two defenders, forcing out goalkeeper Kennedy and scoring his third goal.

George Cross: Kastner, Morson, Sanchez (in), sub. Fox half time), Ricks, McLachlan, Smart, Walker, Chetcuti, Dordoulakis, Cole, Epifano. Coach Jim Sanchez. Fitzroy: Vasilakakis (sub. Kennedy half time); Xanthopoulos, Kiriatis, Selfe, Glennie, Rakovalis, Glykokalamos, Bligouras; Papadimitriou, (sub. Karanatos 18), Mangopoulos, Tsirigianis. Coach Manny Poulakakis.

Votes: George Cross: 3. Ricks, 2. Smart, 1. Walker. Fitzroy: 3. Glennie, 2. Rakovalis, 1. Mangopoulos.

JOE MAJOR.

week

GLENNIE (Fitzroy)

MCCOLL (Juventus)



Melbourne goalkeeper Tom Carmichael uses both fists to punch the ball away from Croatia's Billy Vojtek (right). Istran Keri is in the foreground. The photo was taken by Steve Reynolds.

George Kinnell should be able to account for the League's top scorer, Mike Clarey.

Whereas Hakoah depends on Clarey for goals, Juventus has a wider range of talent up front.

Bryan Thomson, Tommy McColl, Dino DeMarchi and Ron Frost are all dangerous strikers and together they should be able to beat that great defensive duo John O'Neill and Alan Stenhouse.

## Polonia to publish its history

The entire history of Polonia will be presented in a book to mark the 20th anniversary of the club.

The book will include records, pictures and pen portraits of Polonia's greatest players.

It will be written both in English and Polish and will feature an introduction by Bill Thomas and VSF president Theo Marmaras.

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...strong enough to contain Wim Spiekermann and his offside but I doubt that it's attack can suddenly become dangerous.

## Kingsville wins title



Kingsville's power packed 7-1 win last Sunday against Fitzroy made certain of the Premier Division championship in the District League.

The senior team, above, won the Western Division title last year, and is the current cup holder, as well as being in the semi-finals this year.

The players are, from left, P. Zdravkovski, J. Stoganovski, Z. Lambeviski, C. Presilcki (Cele), I. Josicovski, T. Stoganovski. Front: A. Silganovski, N. Dimitriovski, Slobodan, S. Kotefski, Z. Micevski, P. Stojcevski.

The Reserves are also well in the running for the minor premiership.

Pictured below, they are: Standing - M. Cvetnic (Team Manager), N. Murgasevski, V. Trajevski, D. Najdgnovski, D. Kostovski, P. Dimovski, S. Micevski, M. Milosevski, V. Razmovski, V. Bosinovski. Kneeling: T. Atanasovski, S. Talevski, V. Glamcevski, S. Daskalovski.







# Steve's a State prospect

A future candidate for a State junior team is 14-year-old Stephen Fuller, who has been playing for the Melton reserves for the past season.

Although playing alongside men twice his age, Stephen was one week judged Melton's best player. Another week he got two votes. Stephen also plays for Melton's under 14's and last year won their best and fairest trophy.

Born in England, Stephen is good in the air and kicks well with both feet.

An inside forward, he

has had two trials with the State under 14's and once reached the last 20.



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Some of the players who are now making their mark with Karingal and who may be seen at Olympic Park in a few years, are pictured here.



**ALEX MAKRIKOSTAS:** Speedy inside right with the under eights, scored 13 goals this season.



**GEOFF van den ENGEL:** Under eight full back and a future star.



**STEPHEN MYLES:** Under 12 captain, holds two Rigby Cups and is in his third season with the club.



**DAVID LANGFORD:** Promising under eight player, who will still be eligible for the team next year.



**MIKE van den ENGEL:** brother of Geoff. Mike plays as striker.



**COLIN MOORE:** Under 12 left winger with great ball control.

# These are the stars of Seaford



**PAUL MORREY:** One of Seaford's talented crop of goalkeepers. He joined the club upon its inception and is now in his second year with the under 12's. Has served his team with great distinction, putting on many great displays of keeping. In 1969 Paul represented Frankston district in the representative side. Paul is versatile - being also a very useful forward.



**BRETT BOLING:** Joined Seaford upon its formation in 1969 as a new recruit. After a few weeks intensive training Brett moved into the under 10 A team and retained his spot for the rest of the season. Brett is with the under 11's this year. He is a very fast winger and not surprisingly shines at Little Athletics.



**HUGH CURRAN:** Hughie, then 8 years old, joined Seaford in the middle of last season. The talent scouts spotted him immediately and the next day Hughie played a league game with the A team. He made an immediate impact on the Seaford supporters with his fine dribbling and distribution. Hughie is with the under 10's again this season.



**PETER VIDAMOUR:** Under eight winger, works hard and is always a threat near goal.



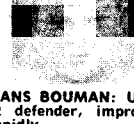
**GARRY WHYMAN:** Strong, fast, energetic centre forward who is currently visiting his native England.



**ROBERT LANGFORD:** Brother of David (above), joined the under eights this season and has a powerful left foot shot.



**COLIN BURNES:** Small but lethal forward.



**HANS BOUMAN:** Under 12 defender, improving rapidly.



**DAVID CHARNAN:** Under 12 full back or winger, extremely fast.



**JEROME WITZLAND:** Utility player with the under 12's.



**CLAUDIO ZANELLI:** A new boy with the under 12's, joined Karingal from Langwarrin.



**MALCOLM GARDNER:** Most improved player in the Under 12's. Very versatile.



**JOHN COUGHLAN:** Third year with Karingal. Plays on a forward with the under 12's.



**MARTIN HEARN:** Full back with Seaford under 12's. Is one of the finest full backs in the district in his age group and improves with every game. He has a good sense of positioning and rarely wastes a ball.



**STEPHEN PRICE:** A forceful forward with Seaford under 10's. He has brought honour to Seaford by being selected to represent Victoria. He is a member of the under 10 squad competing in the

interstate carnival at Bankstown Sydney, during the school holidays. To top this off he has been chosen in the under 11 Frankston representative district team.



**KEVIN RUETENS:** First season with the under eights. Plays as left half and is very strong in the tackle.



**BILL DELIYIANIS:** One of the most accomplished members of the under eight team.



**DAVID PHILLIPS:** Under eight right winger. Maturing quickly and always gives his best.



**RAYMOND HEARN:** Raymond plays as a linkman with Seaford under 11's. Although the "baby" of the team he has given a good account of himself this season.



**PETER WALL:** Under 11 full back or winger.



**KEVIN WALL:** Utility with the under 10's.

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Croatia goalie Mike Kovacek misses a hard drive from a Melbourne forward. Fortunately, the shot went just wide.

# RASIC JOINS ST. GEORGE

Melbourne coach Zvonimir Rasic has landed the highest-paid coaching job in Australia, with Sydney club St. George Budapest.



Zvonimir Rasic

Rasic, 34, who was recently appointed national coach, has signed a two-year contract with St. George, where he will be full-time manager-coach.

He will take up his appointment in December, after he returns from the national team's world tour.

St. George is the only club in Australia that employs a full time manager-coach. Frank Arok currently holds the position but he will return to Yugoslavia late this year.

Rasic announced his appointment after discussions with St.

George last weekend and notified Melbourne at a meeting on Monday night.

St. George is one of Sydney's leading clubs and boasts seven past and present Internationals - Manfred Schaefer, Atilla Adinyi, John Warren, Adrian Aston, Mike Denton, Don Sandell and Jim Fraser.

The appointment is yet another milestone in the extraordinary career of Zvonimir Basic, the last Yugoslav to become a Victorian premiership player.

Last year, he took Footscray J.U.S.T. - the team he once played for - to the State League premiership and this year

he has lifted Melbourne from ninth to second place. He also took the State under 16 team to victory in the national youth championships in Adelaide and coached the senior and under 23 State teams.

Rasic said this week: "Victoria has been very good to me in every respect and I started my coaching career here. But when an offer like this comes along you simply can't turn it down.

"I have had a tremendous relationship here with players, clubs and the Federation and in a way I will be sorry to leave."

## Player dies after game

Broadmeadows player Richard Gacek died last Monday week, after being injured during an under 16 game against visiting Adelaide side Malta United.

Richard, of Lydia Avenue, Campbellfield, was taken to hospital after the game but was discharged after an examination.

The funeral service was held at the Holy Star Church in Dallas and he was laid to rest at the Fawkner Lawn Cemetery.

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# Soccer giants may visit

# Valtsanis gets eight

**West Germany, Argentina, Mexico, Bulgaria and Denmark want to play matches in Australia.**

Fitzroy Alexander  
defender "Babe"  
Valtsanis has been  
suspended for eight  
weeks by the State  
League tribunal.

It is expected the ASF will confer with the States to try to make it possible for the Australian public to see these champion teams.

Valtsanis was charged with violent conduct during Fitzroy's game against Slavia.

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